

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following Listing of Claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1-13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) Openable motor vehicle roof, comprising:

~~a fixed roof surface having a roof opening therein a movable roof element for selectively closing and at least partially clearing the roof opening,~~

a roof opening having a front edge and a rear edge,

a movable roof element mounted within the roof opening for selectively closing and at least partially clearing the roof opening, the movable roof element having a front edge and an angled projection extending from the front edge,

a body-mounted frame component which extends over at least one edge area the front edge of the roof opening,

a seal element which is located in proximity to affixed to the frame component, and against which the movable roof element rests when the roof opening is closed,

~~a drive with an electric motor for moving the roof element, and~~

~~a monitoring means, which is coupled to the drive, for evaluating drive parameters derived from the drive, and for one of turning off and reversing the drive when evaluation of at least one drive parameter indicates that there is a interfering body between the roof element and the edge area of the roof opening,~~

wherein there is a stop surface on the roof element which the projection extends from the front edge in a direction of a closing motion of the movable roof element and defines an area that receives at least a portion of the seal between the projection and the front edge while the closing motion brings the movable roof element toward the closed position such that the projection contacts is sized and configured relative to the frame component and seal element in a manner which will cause the stop surfaced to an interfering body that is present between the roof

~~element and the edge area of frame~~ component and the movable roof opening element before the roof element engages the seal element.

15. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 14, in which the movable roof element is mounted in a manner producing a motion of the movable roof element when the roof opening is being closed, the motion having that has a component perpendicular to ~~[[the]]~~ a fixed roof surface.

16. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 15, in which the movable roof element engages against the seal element from obliquely overhead when the roof opening is being closed.

17. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 14, wherein the movable roof element is mounted in a manner producing a motion of the movable roof element upward to above ~~[[the]]~~ a fixed roof surface to clear the roof opening.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 14, in which the ~~stop surface projects in an area of a~~ projection extends from the front edge of the movable roof element.

20. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 19, in which the ~~stop surface~~ projection is an extension of the front edge of the movable roof element that extends~~[[is]]~~ in the direction of closing motion of the movable roof element.

21. (Original) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 19, in which the seal element lies behind the ~~stop surface~~ projection in the lengthwise direction of the motor vehicle roof in the closed position of the movable roof element.

22. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 14, in which the ~~stop surface~~ projection extends essentially over the entire width of the movable roof opening element front edge.

23. (Original) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 18, in which the ~~stop surface~~ projection is foamed onto the movable roof element.

24. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 23, wherein the projection is integrated into a ~~in which the roof element has peripheral edge foaming of the movable roof element into which the stop surface is integrated.~~

25. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 14, wherein the ~~stop element has surface projects from the movable roof element front edge~~ a length sufficient to engage interfering bodies having a thickness of about 4 mm measured in the closing direction of the movable roof element prior to the movable roof element contacting the seal element.

26. (Currently amended) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 14, further comprising:

a drive with an electric motor for moving the movable roof element, and
a monitor, which is coupled to the drive, for evaluating drive parameters
derived from the drive, and for one of turning off and reversing the drive when
evaluation of one or more drive parameters indicates that there is a interfering body
between the seal element and the projection,

wherein the monitoring means monitor is adapted to detect at least one or
more parameter of the drive from among the parameters of including current
consumed by the electric motor drive, torque delivered by the drive, number and
direction of revolutions of a driven shaft of the drive, rpm of the drive and positioning
speed of the movable roof element.

27. (New) Openable motor vehicle roof as claimed in claim 14, wherein the
body-mounted frame component includes a depression in front of and below the seal

element for receiving at least a portion of the projection when the movable roof element is in a closed position.